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Westminster, November 18.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Acquainted you, at the Close of the last Session of Parliament, that I was making Preparations for carrying on the just and necessary War in which I am engaged, in the most proper Places, and in the most vigorous and effectual Manner. For this Purpose, strong Squadrons were got ready, and ordered to sail upon important Services, both in the West Indies and Europe, with as much Expedition as the Nature of those Services, and the manning of the Ships, would admit: A very considerable Body of Land Forces was embarked, which is to be joined by a great Number of my Subjects raised in America; and all Things necessary for transporting the Troops from hence, and carrying on the designed Expedition, were a long Time in Readiness, and waited only for an Opportunity to pursue the intended Voyage.

The several Incidents which have happened in the mean time, have had no Effect upon me, but to confirm me in my Resolutions, and to determine me to add Strength to my Armaments, rather than to divert or deter me from those just and vigorous Measures which I am pursuing, for maintaining the Honour of my Crown, and the undoubted Rights of my People.

The Court of Spain having already felt some Effects of our Resentment, began to be sensible, that they should be no longer able, alone, to defend themselves against the Efforts of the British Nation; and if any other Power, agreeably to some late extraordinary Proceedings, should interpose, and attempt to prescribe or limit the Operations of the War against my declared Enemies, the Honour and Interest of my Crown and Kingdoms must call upon us to lose no Time in putting ourselves into such a Condition, as may enable us to repel any Insults, and to frustrate any Designs formed against us, in Violation of the Faith of Treaties; and I hope any such unprecedented Steps, under what Colour or Pretence soever they may be taken, will inspire my Allies with a true Sense of the common Danger, and will unite us in the Support and Defence of the common Cause

The great and unhappy Event of the Death of the late Emperor, opens a new Scene in the Affairs of Europe, in which all the principal Powers may be immediately or consequentially concerned. It is impossible to determine what Turn the Policy, Interest, or Ambition of the several Courts may lead them to take in this critical Conjuncture. It shall be my Care strictly to observe and attend to their Motions, and to adhere to the Engagements I am under, in order to the maintaining of the Balance of Power, and the Liberties of Europe; and in Concert with such Powers as are under the same Obligations, or equally concerned to preserve the publick Safety and Tranquility, to act such a Part as may best contribute to avert the imminent Dangers that may threaten them.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have ordered Estimates to be prepared, and laid before you, for the Service of the ensuing Year. It is always with Regret that I ask any extraordinary Aids of my People: But what I have already mentioned must be sufficient to satisfy you, that some Augmentations will be necessary, not only for carrying on the present War with Vigour, but also to put ourselves in a Condition of being prepared for such Events as may arise in this new and uncertain State of Europe. I therefore

fore depend on your experienced Zeal and Affection for me and my Government, your Concern for your own Safety, and the Support of the common Cauſe, to grant me ſuch effectual Supplies as may be requiſite for theſe great Ends.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Scarcity of Corn, which has happened in many Countries of Europe, has induced ſeveral Powers to make extraordinary Proviſions to obviate the ill Effects of that Misfortune; and though in many Parts of this Kingdom, the Harveſt has proved more favourable, yet common Prudence calls upon us to provide as far as may be againſt the Approach of ſuch a Calamity. Beſides, in our preſent Circumſtances, it would be an inexcuſable Neglect to ſuffer our Enemies to be ſupplied with any Kind of Proviſions from my Dominions, and that even at the Hazard of my own Subjects being diſtreſſed. Let me therefore earneſtly recommend it to you to conſider of ſome good Law to prevent this growing Miſchief.

The Difficulties which have been found in manning the Fleet by the uſual Methods hitherto practiſed, demonſtrate the Want of ſome Parliamentary Remedy: I muſt therefore preſs it upon you to loſe no Time in making ſuch Proviſions in this Reſpect, as, whilſt we are engaged in a War in Defence of the Commerce and Navigation of this Kingdom, may enable the Publick to avail itſelf of thoſe great Numbers of Seamen, which make ſo valuable a Branch of our Strength.

The Importance of theſe Conſiderations is ſo apparent, that I need uſe no Arguments to convince you of the Neceſſity of the utmoſt Unanimity and Diſpatch in your Proceedings.

Whitehall, November 18.

A Letter from Captain Mitchell, Commander of His Majeſty's Ship the Buckingham, dated at Spithead the 16th Inſtant, gives the following Account. Sir Chaloner Ogle was on Friday the 31ſt of October, 70 Leagues to the Weſtward of the Start, in the Latitude of 47° 54′, having had a good Paſſage down the Channel with a northerly Wind. That Night it came to the Weſtward and blew hard, with a great Sea, but back'd again to the Northward in the Morning, at which Time we could plainly make the Superbe to have loſt all her Maſts, except her Bowſprit. It blew hard all that Day and the next Night; the Fleet lay to with their Heads to the Weſtward; our Ship labouring very much, hove away her Foretopmaſt, and on Sunday Morning we found the Mainmaſt to be ſprung, which we loſt ſoon after, at which Time the Admiral made Sail to the Weſtward. We loſt Sight of all the Fleet that Afternoon. After having conſider'd the Diſtance of our Rendezvous and the Condition of the Ship, Capt. Mitchell thought it proper to return with her to England. From the Time we loſt Sight of the Fleet, we had the Wind to the 9th Inſtant between the North and Eaſt, and ſince between the North and Weſt; ſo that if the Fleet have had the ſame Winds, they muſt be got well to the Southward.

London, Nov. 14, 1740.

The following Eight Gentlemen are choſen Directors of the Hand in-Hand Fire Office for the Year enſuing, viz.

Mr. John Johnſon,	*Mr. William Cowe,*
William Leigh, Eſq;	*Mr. George Devall,*
Mr. William Mount,	*Mr. Allen Evans,*
Richard Ricards, Eſq;	*Mr. Robert Maberly.*

The Sixteen following are continued according to the Deed of Settlement.

Mr. John Badcock,	*Henry Burnell, Eſq;*
Mr. Henry Clifton,	*Mr. Iſaac Clarke,*
Mr. Thomas Clifton,	*Mr. John Fewtrell,*
Mr. Benjamin Cowley,	*Mr. John Greene,*
Mr. John Evans,	*Mr. Obadiah Jones.*
Paul Ferris, Eſq;	*Mr. Benjamin Timbrell,*
Mr. Thomas Haddon,	*Mr. Walter Turner,*
William Richardſon, Eſq;	*Mr. Samuel Watts.*

Advertiſements.

Lord Chancellor. Friday the 14th of November 1740. and in the 14th Year of the Reign of his Majeſty King George the Second, between Mary Burton, Widow, Plaintiff; Richard Malone the Younger, Edm. Malone, and John Malone, Eſq; Defendants.

FOraſmuch as this Court was this preſent Day informed by Mr. Robinſon, being of the Plaintiff's Council, that the Plaintiff the 11th Day of October laſt filed her Bill in this Court againſt the Defendants, as by the Six Clerks Certificate appears, and took out Proceſs of Subpœna returnable the 23d of October laſt, requiring them to appear to and anſwer the ſame; but the Defendants have not ſo done: That upon enquiring at the Defendants uſual Places of Abode, they are not to be found, ſo as to be ſerved with ſuch Proceſs, but are gone out of the Realm, or do therwiſe abſcond to avoid being ſerved therewith, as by Affidavit alſo appears; and the ſaid Certificate and Affidavit being now read, this Court doth order, That the ſaid Defendants do appear to the Plaintiff's Bill on or before the firſt Day of next Term.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before William Kinaſton, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, on Tueſday the 16th Day of December next, between the Hours of Four and Six of the Clock in the Afternoon, Five Leaſehold Meſſuages or Tenements with the Appurtenances, in Batterſea in the County of Surry, held by Leaſe from the Archbiſhop of York, for 21 Years, at the yearly Rent of 6 l. 8 s 11 d dated the 26th Day of March 1724, now Lett at the yearly Rent of 32 l. 7 s. 6 d. late the Eſtate of Robert Peck, Baker, deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers in Lincoln's Inn.

IN Purſuance of a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Ellis Terrell, late of Egham, in the County of Surry, Eſq; deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their Debts before Edmund Sawyer, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

IN Purſuance of a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Nicholas Terrell the Elder, late of Buttermere, in the County of Wilts, Eſq; deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their Debts before Edmund Sawyer, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

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THERE will be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, on Monday the 8th Day of December next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, before Francis Eld, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chamber in Symond's Inn, Chancery Lane, London, Several Freehold and Leaſehold Eſtates of Thomas Boucher, Gent. deceaſed, ſituate in Sherborne, Campton and Thorneford, in the County of Dorſet, of the yearly Value of about 450 l. Particulars may be had at the ſaid Maſter's aforeſaid Chamber.

THE Creditors of Robert Fydell, late of Liquor Pond-ſtreet, within the Pariſh of St. Andrew Holborn, in the County of Middleſex, Brewer, a Bankrupt, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees on Thurſday next, the 19th of this Inſtant November, at Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Plume of Feathers Tavern oppoſite St. Clement's Church in the Strand, to conſent to the ſaid Aſſignees commencing one or more Suit or Suits, and ſubmitting any Differences or Diſputes relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate to Arbitration, or otherwiſe to compound and agree the ſame; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Creditors of Richard Broome, late of St. Paul Shadwell, in the County of Middleſex, Oylman, a Bankrupt (ſurviving Partner of John Prieſtly, late of the ſame Place, Oylman, deceaſed) are deſired to meet on Monday the 24th of November Inſtant, at Five in the Afternoon, at the Sun Tavern on Fiſh ſtreet Hill, to aſſent or diſſent to the Aſſignees commencing one or more Suit or Suits in Equity for Recovery of Part of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, and to the Aſſignees ſubmitting to Arbitration any Diſputes relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, or to their making any Compoſitions concerning the ſame.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Thomas Ryder, of Newton Abbott, in the County of Devon, Sergemaker and Chapman, intend to meet on Thurſday the 11th of December next, by Two in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Thomas Atkey, called Atkey's Coffee-houſe, ſituate in the Serge market in the City of Exon, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend. At which Time and Place the ſaid Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of the ſaid Bankrupt's Certificate.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Peter Green, of Cheapſide, London, Brazier, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 24th of November Inſtant, and on the 1ſt and 30th of December next, at Three in the Afternoon on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Goldar, Attorney, at No 2. in Staples Inn, Holbourn.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Samuel Keynton, late of Stock's Market, London, Warehonſeman and Merchant, intend to meet on the 17th of December next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a 2d Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Thomas Tomlin, late of the Pariſh of Shorne, in the County of Kent, Tanner, intend to meet on the 11th Day of December next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Moſes Prado, late of Goodmans Fields, in the County of Middleſex, Broker, intend to meet on the 17th of December next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

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